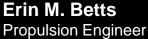


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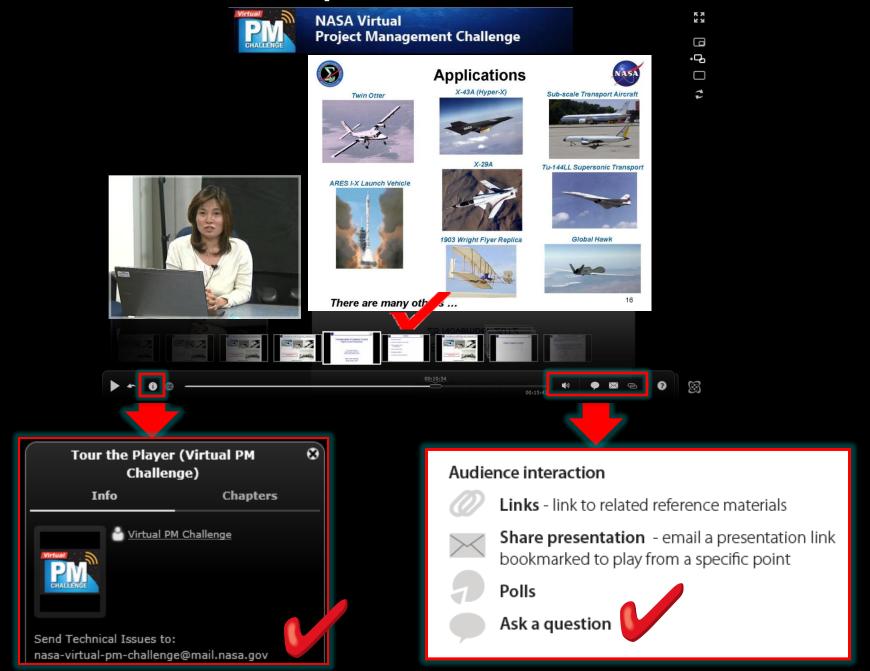




New technology is changing the way we do business at NASA. Enabled by a culture embracing innovation and flexibility that has a higher tolerance to risk, technology is impacting the entire product life cycle, from design and analysis, through production, verification, logistics and operations. New fabrication techniques such as additive manufacturing, verification techniques, integrated analysis, and models that follow the hardware from initial concept through operation are having an impact on the time and cost of building space hardware. Evolved Systems Engineering processes and policy at NASA are inherently more flexible than they have been in the past, enabling the implementation of new techniques and approaches.

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#### **Ask Questions, Find Help**





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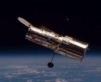
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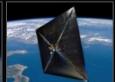
















#### **Agenda**

- Evolving technology in the areas of design, analysis, production, verification, logistics, and operations
  - Evolution of technology
  - New technology is changing the design process
  - Specific examples: Additive Manufacturing, Structured Light Scanning
- Program/Project lifecycle Evolving the Program Management and Systems Engineering processes
  - Change in culture, communications, and product focus
  - Enable flexibility to accommodate new techniques and approaches, improving affordability



#### Introduction

- Technology is evolving and changing the way we do business
- Staying on top of technology, developing new technology, and pushing its limits is essential to achieving our main objectives
  - NASA Missions
  - SLS: Safety, Affordability, and Sustainability
- NASA culture influences technology infusion
- How do we take advantage of and develop new technologies to become more efficient and build better products at a lower cost?
  - Bring technologies to a readiness level that is safe for operation on NASA systems
  - Maintain rigor in testing and acceptance to ensure quality
  - Transition new technology



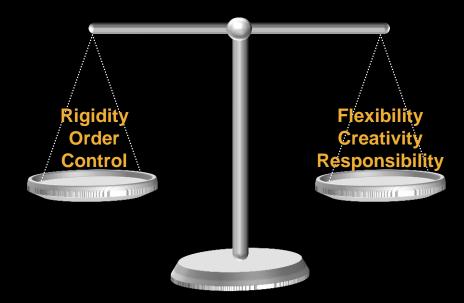
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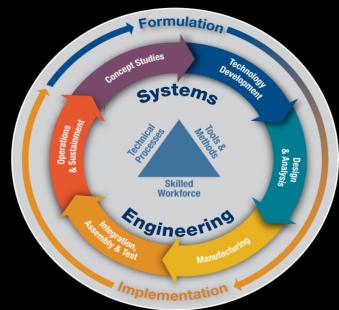
How can we enable programs/projects to traverse the lifecycle in a

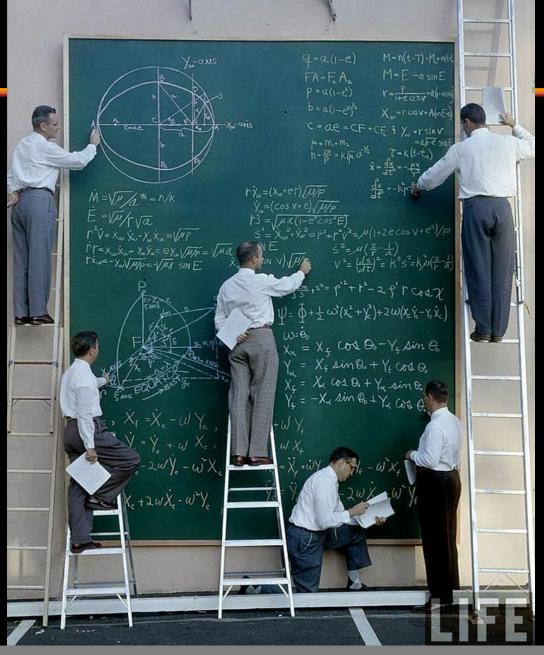
flexible, affordable and repeatable way?

Dealing with emerging technologies and methods

- Encouraging culture change & understanding the workforce
- Measuring design progress and success
- Balancing rigidity with creativity
- Responsive to broad portfolio of activities



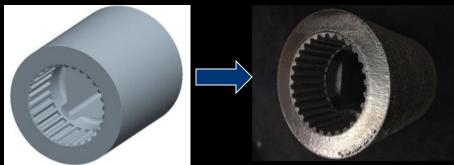




NASA Before PowerPoint
The physics are the same. How we communicate has changed.

#### Technologies Vary Depending on System

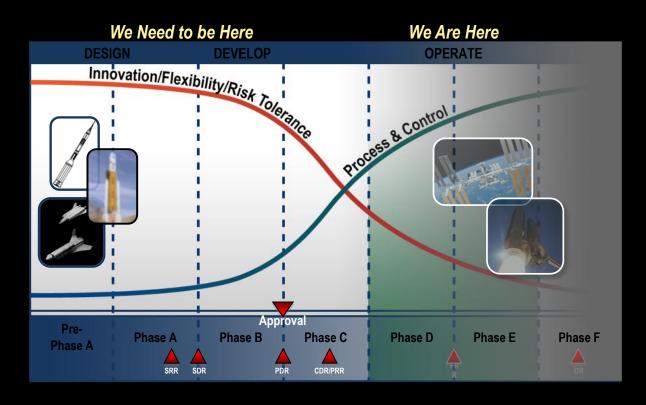
- The way we use new technology varies based on size, complexity, allowable risk, cost, schedule, etc.
- 3D models are now following the hardware from "Art to Part"
- Large Scale Hardware (Boost and Stage Engines, Stages, Vehicles)
  - More integrated design
  - We are better prepared for the hardware once we receive it
  - Better fabrication techniques
- Small Scale Hardware (components)
  - Prototypes
  - Analysis and test can be performed in parallel
  - Test multiple designs
  - Proceed beyond development at significantly lower risk

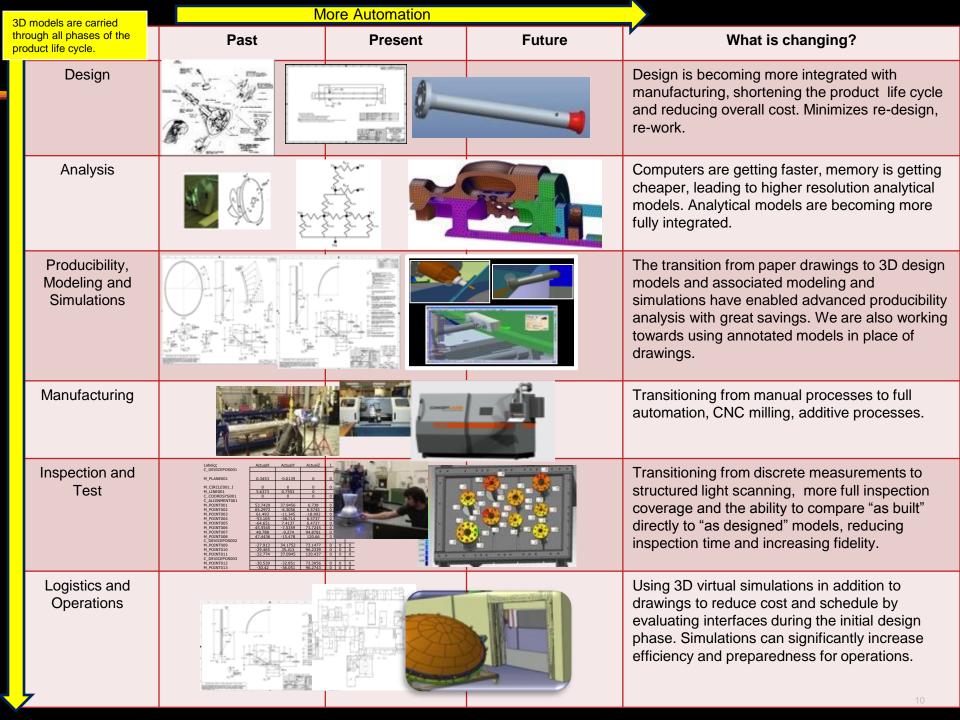




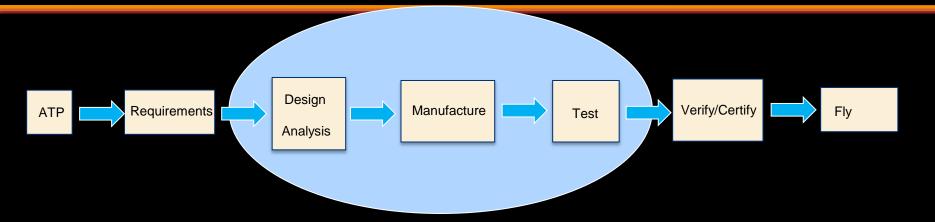
#### **Key Enabler is NASA Culture**

- Impact of new technology is enabled by a culture embracing innovation and flexibility that has a higher tolerance to risk
- Testing to learn versus testing to pass
- Getting past fears of the unknown

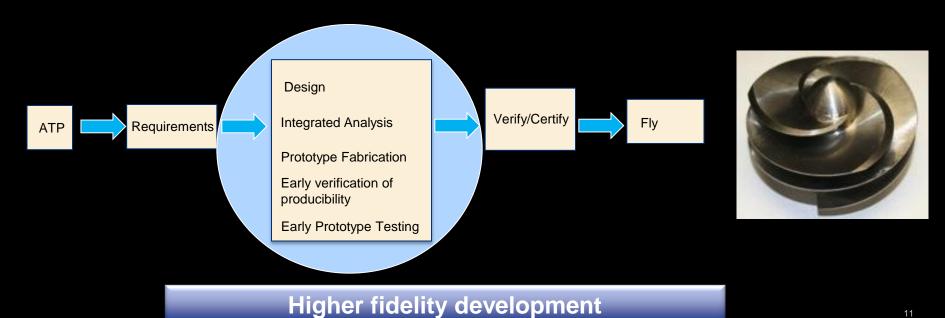




#### Typical Design Process



#### Evolved Design Process, Enabled by New Technologies



#### What is Additive Manufacturing?

- Additive manufacturing is used to build a part from the ground level up, typically starting with powder metal
  - Powder metal laser sintering (SLM), electron beam melting (EBM)
  - Laser deposition
  - "3D Printing" plastics, Stereolithography
    - Made in Space

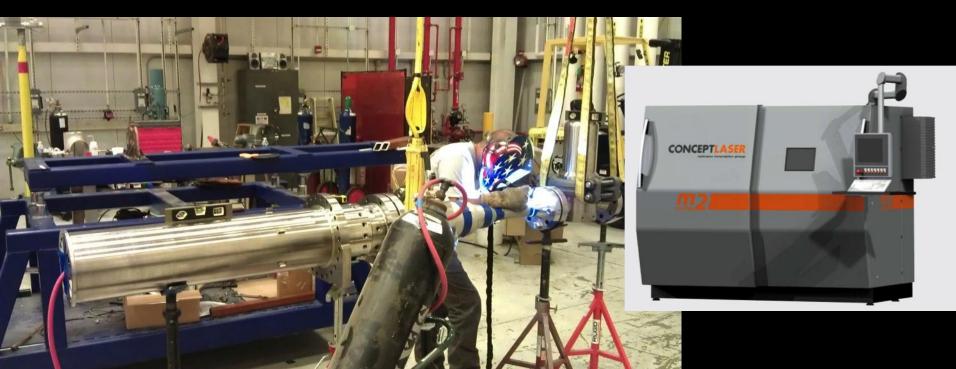






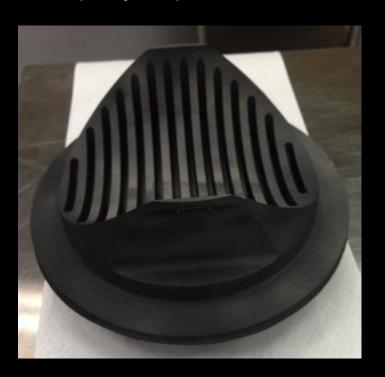
#### What is Additive Manufacturing?

- Differs from "traditional" machining
  - Subtractive machining: Cutting, milling, drilling
  - Joining: welding, brazing, fastening
  - Forming: melting, pouring castings
  - Significantly less "scrap"
- In many cases, "traditional" methods are used in addition to additive



#### • How do we fly SLM components?

- Build and test components
- Mechanical testing on samples
- In-process verification
- Digital records
- Quality control and Inspections
- To qualify the process, let's start with qualifying specific parts





#### Consider:

- Environment (fluid, pressure, temp)
- Material
- Criticality
- Size
- Function

- Why Additive Manufacturing?
  - Key to Sustainable & Affordable Propulsion
  - Can significantly reduce cost and time to manufacture when applied effectively



#### **Examples:**

Part	Cost Savings	Time Savings		
J-2X Gas Generator Duct	70%	50%		
F-1 Torque Adapter	N/A	70%		
Pogo Z-Baffle	64%	75%		
Custom Wrenches	N/A	70%		
Turbopump Volute	87%	75%		
Turbopump Inducer	50%	80%		



#### **Additive Manufacturing – Heritage Parts**

- Additive Manufacturing can be used to fabricate <u>heritage</u> parts.
- Some small modifications may be required, but no change to "fit, form, or function."
- Goal: reduce part count, welds, machining operations → reduce \$ and time

#### **J-2X Gas Generator Duct**



Pogo Z-Baffle



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Part	Cost Savings	Time Savings
J-2X Gas Generator Duct	70%	50%
Pogo Z-Baffle	64%	75%

RS-25 Flex Joint	Heritage Design	SLM Design
Part Count	45	17
# Welds	70+	26
Machining Operations	~147	~57

#### **Additive Manufacturing – New Parts**

- Fabricate <u>new</u> parts and tooling
- "Art to Part" in hours
- Design freedom and flexibility
- Design for <u>function</u>

**Custom Tooling** 





**Custom**Instrumentation



Part	Cost Savings	Time Savings		
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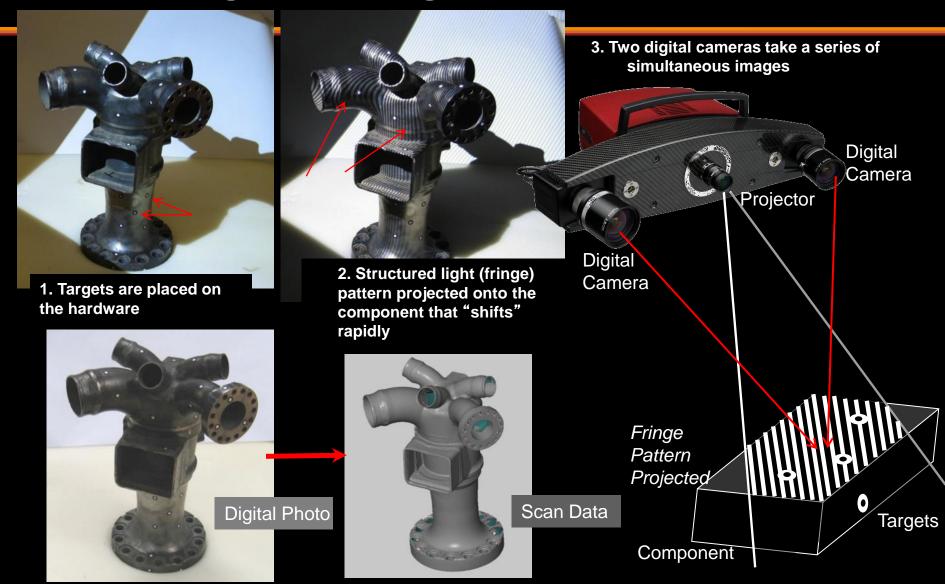
#### **Valve Housing**



#### **Turbopump Inducer**



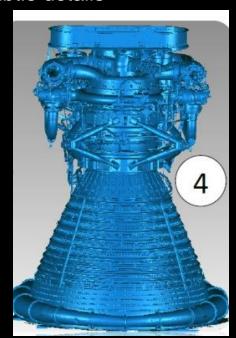
### **Structured Light Scanning**



4. Series of simultaneous images and scans are processed in the software, and based on triangulation methods, the software will calculate 3D coordinates of the part and create a continuous contour

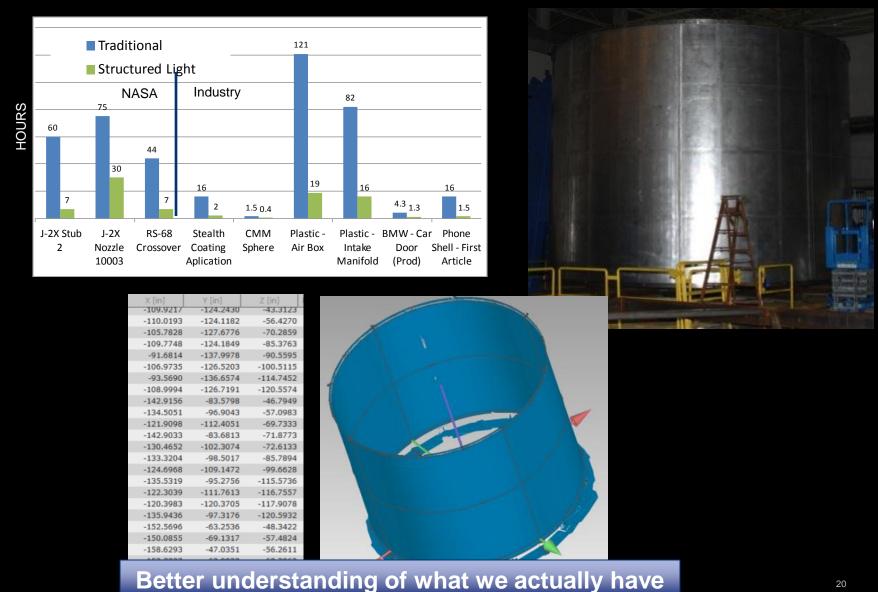
## **Structured Light Scanning**

- Why do we scan?
  - Improve Process Development
  - Digital assembly reduces cost and schedule
  - Compare small changes in hardware not previously possible (test-to-test and before and after processes)
  - Refine Performance predictions
  - Reverse Engineering
  - Subtle details





## **Structured Light Scanning**



#### **Program/Project Lifecycle**

Success Criteria:

defined high-level

determined to be

complete and are

other programs are

. The program

requirements are

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P- SEMP (STD/SE-SEMP)

P- Lessons Learned Plan

P- CM Plan (STD/CM-CMP, STD/

P- Integration plan (STD/SE-IP)

P - IT Plan

SW-SCMP

B/L - Review Plan

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The approach for

verifying compliance with

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identified major risks

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#### The integrated lifecycle review expectations are unchanged

- Success criteria/milestones
- Products demonstrate progress
- Metrics & reviews measure success

#### Exit Criteria: Entrance Criteria: P- Program Plan B/L- Formulation Authorization Document (FAD) has been approved. (Reference B/L- Mission Directorate requirements and constraints D- Program Plan P- Mission Directorate requirements and constraints P-Traceability of program-level D- Traceability of program-level requirements on projects to the Agency requirements on projects to the Agency strategic goals and Mission strategic goals and Mission Directorate requirements and constraints Directorate requirements and D- Documentation of driving ground rules and assumptions on the program D- Interagency and international agreements D- Documented Cost and Schedule Baselines P- Documentation of driving ground D- Documentation of Basis of Estimate (cost and schedule) rules and assumptions D- Shared Infrastructure,\* Staffing, and Scarce Material Requirements and Plans P- Interagency and international Plans for work to be accomplished during next Life Cycle Phase D- Technical, Schedule, and Cost Control Plan I - Risk mitigation plans and D- Safety and Mission Assurance (S&MA) Plan (STD/SA-SSP, STD/RM-RMP) resources for significant risks D- Risk Management Plan (STD/MA-RMP, STD/RM-PRAP) P- Documented Cost and Schedule D- Acquisition Plan Baselines D- Technology Development Plan P- Documentation of Basis of D- Systems Engineering Management Plan (SEMP) (STD/SE-Estimate BOE (cost and schedule) D- Information Technology (IT) Plan I- Shared Infrastructure, Staffing, and P - Review plan Scarce Material Requirements and D- Configuration Management (CM) Plan (STD/CM Plans D- Lessons Learned Plan Plans for work to be accomplished D - Integration plan (STD/SE-IF during next Life Cycle Phase Program requirements have been defined that support P- Technical, Schedule, and Cost requirements on the program Control Plan Major program risks and corresponding mitigations strategies have been P- S&MA Plan (STD/SA-SSP, STD) RM-RMP The high-level program requirements have been documented to include: a. P-Risk Management Plan (STD/MAperformance, b. safety, and c. programmatic requirements, consistent with the RMP, STD/RM-PRAP) selected Conceptual design from the project MCR. P-Acquisition Plan An approach for verifying compliance with program requirements has been P-Technology Development Plan

Procedures for controlling changes to program requirements have been defined

Traceability of program requirements to individual projects is documented in

accordance with Agency needs, goals, and objectives, as described in the NASA

Top program/project risks with significant technical, safety, cost and schedule

and approved.

impacts have been identified.

Program

(P/SRR)

#### Approval for Formulation Approval for Implementation NASA Life Cycle Phases KDP KDP 0 KDP II KDP III Integrator Life Cycle Gates Draft PCA **PCA** △Draft Program Plan Program Plan ASM Agency Review SDR/MDR PRR SIR ORR FRRPLAR CERR PFAR DR DRR Integrator Life Cycle Reviews KDP A KDP B KDP C KDP D HW/SW Provide Life Cycle Gates KDP F KDP E FAD/FA End of Mission Launch Draft Project Rea. With respect to mission and science requirements SDR MCR ORR FRR PLAR CERR PFAR rogram requirements are MDR HW/SW Provider Life Cycle 2. Defined interfaces with ORR FRR PLAR CERR PFAR DR DRR SRR MDR Lower Level Reviews determined to provide a cost-effective program. ▲ Integrator Life Cycle Reviews △HW/SW Provider Life Cycle Review ▲ Lower Level Reviews

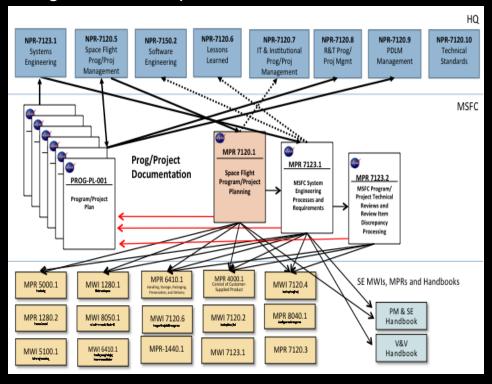
Life Cycle Reviews

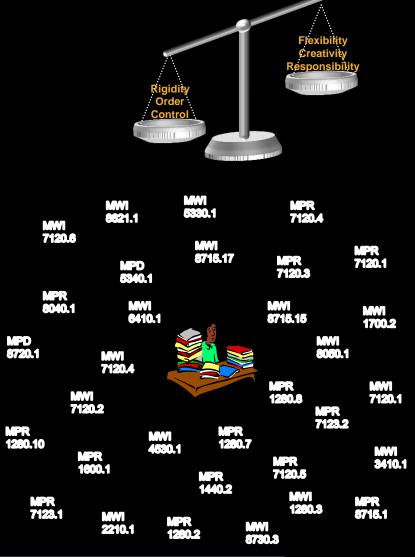
#### What is changing

- Time & Resource Expectations
- Types of Programs/projects
- How we demonstrate success

## The Beginning

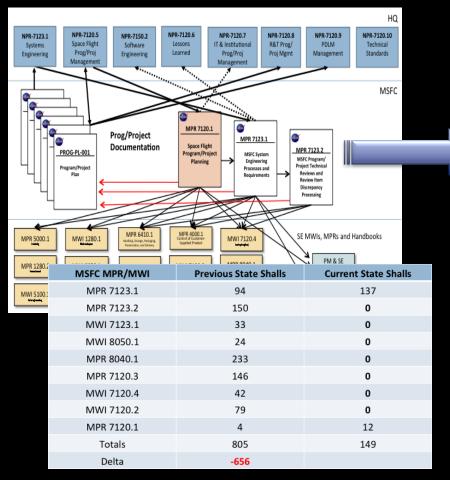
- Sea of policy, requirements and how-to
- One-sized
- Paper/document driven
- Rigid, blind compliance, minimize risk

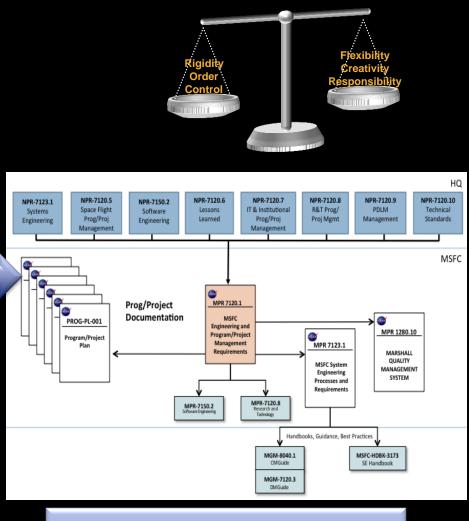




#### **Evolving how we do PM & SE**

- Streamline "One-Stop Shop"
- Promote thinking around circumstances
- Data Driven, document independent
- Flexible





Focus on the product, customize the process.

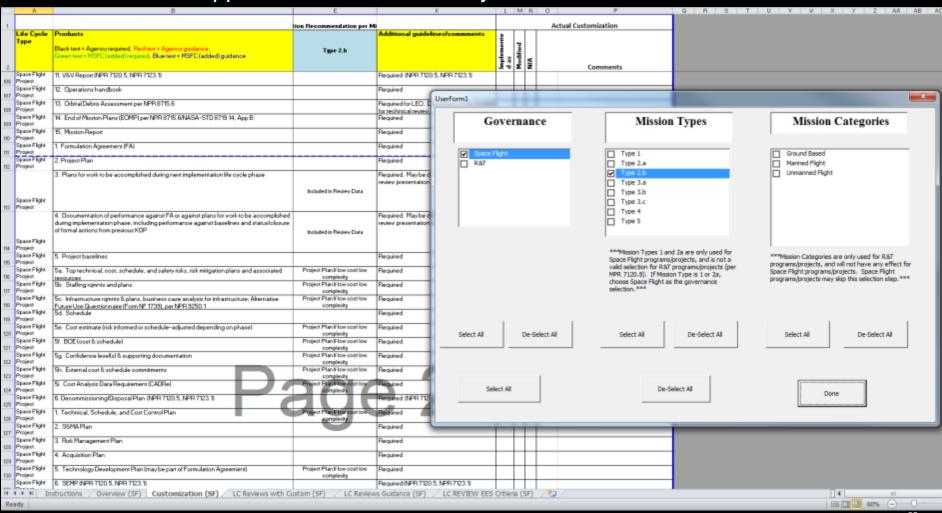
## **Enablers: Find Your Project**

- Projects stratified for MSFC portfolio (ranging from SLS to small activities)
- Find a starting place based on your Project type (size, priority, risk, cost...)

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			Guidance for Id	entifying Mission Types				
Cost Guidance (estimate LCC)	High(>~\$1B)	High to low (~\$1B -\$250M)	Low (~\$250M - \$100M)	(~\$100M-\$50M)	\$50M-\$10M	< \$10M	> \$1M/yr or > \$10M LCC	<\$1M/yr or <\$10M LCC
Priority (Criticality to Agency Strategic Plan)	High to low priority	High to medium priority	High priority	Medium to low priority	Low Priority	Low to very low Priority	High (Center Priority)	Medium or Low (Center Priority)
National Significance	Very high	High	Medium	Medium	Low	Very Low		
Risk Tolerance	Class A Risk: Very low (minimized)	Class B Risk: Low	Class C Risk: Medium	Class D Risk: High	Class D Risk: High	Class D Risk: High		
Description of the Types of Mission	Human Space Flight or Very Large Science/Robotic Missions	Non-Human Space Flight or Science/Robotic Missions	Small Science (Human or Non human)	Smaller Science (Human or Non human)	Science (Human or non human)	Science (Human or non human)	Support to multiple directorates	Support to a single directorate
Complexity	Very high to high	High to Medium	Medium to Low	Low	Low	Low to Very Low		
Mission Lifetime (Primary Baseline Mission)	Long. >5 years	Medium. 2-5 years	Short. <2 years	Short. < 2 years	Short. <2 years	Short. <2 years		
Launch Constraints	Critical	Medium	Few to none	Few to none	Few to none	None		
Achievement of Mission Success Criteria	All practical measures are taken to achieve minimum risk to mission success. The highest assurance standards are used.	Stringent assurance standards with only minor compromises in application to maintain a low risk to mission success.	Medium or significant risk of not achieving mission success is permitted. Minimal assurance standards are permitted.	Significant risk of not achieving mission success is permitted. Minimal assurance standards are permitted.	Significant risk of not achieving mission success is permitted. Minimal assurance standards are permitted.	Significant risk of not achieving mission success is permitted. Minimal assurance standards are permitted.		
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#### **Enablers: Customize & Communicate**

- Compare across the lifecycle, choose best fit
- Identify customization opportunities
- Communicate approach in a common way



#### **Enablers: Reviews and Data**

- Complete lifecycle perspective
- Approach products and design needs from a success perspective
- Understand requirements, best practices and data needs

Program SRR (P/SRR)

#### Entrance Criteria:

B/L- Formulation Authorization Document (FAD) has been approved. (Reference Data)

- D- Program Plan
- P- Mission Directorate requirements and constraints
- D- Traceability of program-level requirements on projects to the Agency strategic goals and Mission Directorate requirements and constraints
- D- Documentation of driving ground rules and assumptions on the program
- D- Interagency and international agreements
- D- Documented Cost and Schedule Baselines
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- D Integration plan (STD/SE-IP)

Program requirements have been defined that support mission directorate requirements on the program.

Major program risks and corresponding mitigations strategies have been identified.

The high-level program requirements have been documented to include: a. performance, b. safety, and c. programmatic requirements, consistent with the selected Conceptual design from the project MCR.

An approach for verifying compliance with program requirements has been defined.

Procedures for controlling changes to program requirements have been defined and approved.

Traceability of program requirements to individual projects is documented in accordance with Agency needs, goals, and objectives, as described in the NASA Strategic Plan.

Top program/project risks with significant technical, safety, cost and schedule impacts have been identified.

#### Exit Criteria:

P- Program Plan

B/L- Mission Directorate requirements and constraints

P-Traceability of program-level requirements on projects to the Agency strategic goals and Mission Directorate requirements and constraints

- P- Documentation of driving ground rules and assumptions
- P- Interagency and international agreements
- I Risk mitigation plans and resources for significant risks
- P- Documented Cost and Schedule Baselines
- P- Documentation of Basis of Estimate BOE (cost and schedule) I- Shared Infrastructure, Staffing, and

Scarce Material Requirements and Plans

Plans for work to be accomplished during next Life Cycle Phase

P- Technical, Schedule, and Cost Control Plan

P- S&MA Plan (STD/SA-SSP, STD/ RM-RMP)

P-Risk Management Plan (STD/MA-RMP, STD/RM-PRAP)

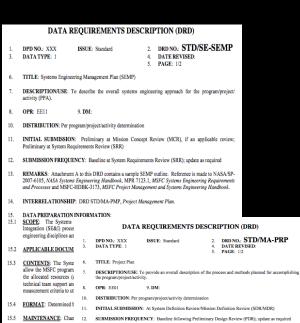
- P-Acquisition Plan
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- P- SEMP (STD/SE-SEMP)
- P IT Plan
- B/L Review Plan
- P- CM Plan (STD/CM-CMP, STD/ SW-SCMP)
- P- Lessons Learned Plan
- P- Integration plan (STD/SE-IP)

#### Success Criteria:

- With respect to mission and science requirements, defined high-level program requirements are determined to be complete and are approved.
- Defined interfaces with other programs are approved.
- The program requirements are determined to provide a cost-effective program.
- The program requirements are adequately levied on either the single-program project or the multiple projects of the program.
- The plans for controlling program requirement changes have been approved.
- The approach for verifying compliance with program requirements has been approved.
- The mitigation strategies for handling identified major risks have been approved.

#### **Enablers: Support**

- Flexible Data Requirements templates
- Guidance & Best Practices
- Lessons Learned and Knowledge Management



REMARKS: Attachment A to this DRD contains a sample Project Plan outline

APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:
MPR 7120.1 MSFC Engineering And Program/Project Management Requirements

The Project Plan shall address all subordinate plans, collectively called control plans, required by MPR 7120.1. The Project Pain stati address all subcreamate pains, conceiverey calcine control pains, equipment by MPR 7120.1. With the appropriate approval, programs/projects can tailor control plans as not applicable or to be combined with the appropriate approval, programs/projects can tailor control plans as not applicable or a De combined with the Project Plan or another control plan is not applicable to a particular project, that information shall be indicated in the Project Plan by stating it is not applicable and providing a rationale. If a control plan is a stand-alone document the Project Plan shall contain a brief description of the control plan, provide reference to the stand-alone document and where appropriate, reference

The following outline shall be used in the development of a Project Plan. A Project Plan template is available on the MSFC Integrated Document Library (MIDL). <u>Program/Project Specific Documentation site</u> for additional information and guidance. The format of the completed Project Plan can differ from the outline but a cross-reference table indicating where the information for each outline paragraph content is captured needs to be

Project Plan establishes the project's baseline for implementation

the provider's/contractor's internal procedures.

provided with the Project Plan document when it is submitted for approval. FORMAT: Determined by specific program/project/activity. 15.5 MAINTENANCE: Changes shall be incorporated by complete reissue.

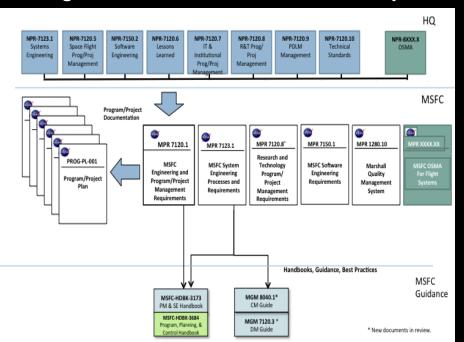
INTERRELATIONSHIP





#### **Future State**

#### Integrate & Streamline S&MA Policy



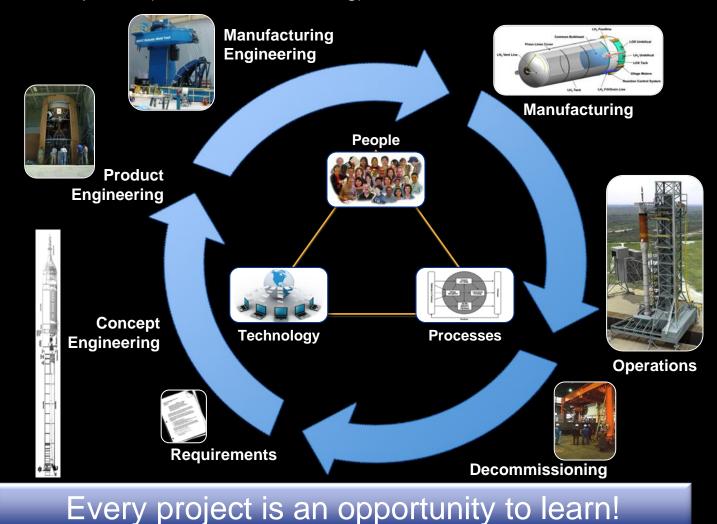


#### PM & SE Process Model



#### **Future State**

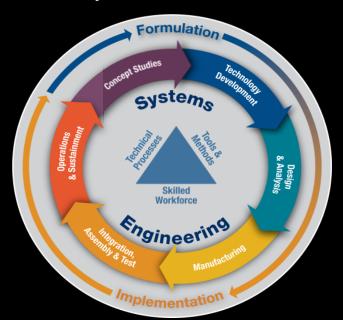
- Product Data Lifecycle Management, Model Based Engineering & Systems Engineering
- Capturing & communicating design best practices
- SE & PM development (culture, skills, training)

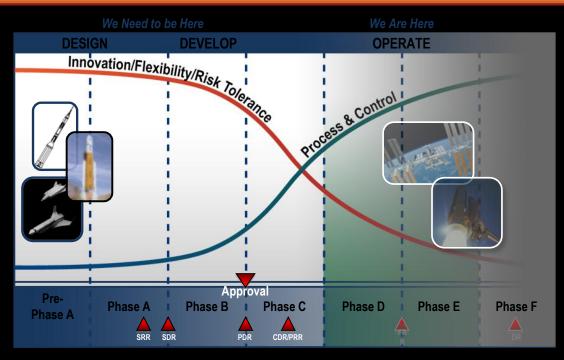


#### **Summary**

## Technology is changing the way we do design, analysis, logistics and operations

- Evolved capabilities
- Focus on integration earlier
- Parallel development and fabrication
- Enabled by a culture that embraces innovation and flexibility

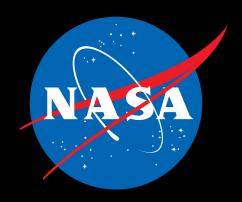




## Focus on balancing process rigidity with flexibility

- Promote thinking, not blind compliance
- Adjust to program/project size
- Integration & communication
- Product not process

#### **Question & Answer Session**



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